

**CITY OF SANTA BARBARA
FIRE & POLICE COMMISSION MINUTES**

Thursday **November 20, 2008** @ 4:30
Santa Barbara Police Department
215 E. Figueroa St.

REGULAR MEETING

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL:

Present: Commissioners: Lennon, Signor, Atkins, Rodriguez and Lauritsen

Staff Present: Chief Sanchez, Fire Chief Ron Prince, Captain Bob Lowry, Police Technician Holly Michels and Secretary, Barbara Sansone

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

MOTION: Signor to approve minutes of **October 23, 2008**

VOTE: Unanimous voice vote: Motion passed

3. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Any member of the public may address the Fire & Police Commission for up to one minute on any subject within the jurisdiction of the Commission that is not scheduled for a public hearing before the Commission. The total time for this item is 10 minutes. If you wish to address the Commission under this item, please complete and deliver to the Commission Secretary before the meeting is convened, a "Request to Speak" form, including a description of the subject you wish to address.

Diane Harding of Madison's reported on the soundproofing of the skylights and the inspection by City of Santa Barbara Building Inspector, Larry Cassidy approving the soundproofing. This was a condition of the Madison's Dance Permit.

4. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS:

None

5. OLD BUSINESS:

None

6. NEW BUSINESS:

None

7. Stateside – 1114 State St. – Application for Nightclub Dance Permit

8. STATESIDE DANCE PERMIT

Present: Owner Joe Middler and 2 attorneys

MOTION: Atkins to approve Dance Permit

VOTE: Unanimous voice vote; motion passed (4 to approve and 1 abstention). (Commissioner Rodriguez removed himself from the voting on this permit due to a conflict of interest)

***Note:** The tape recorder stopped working early on in the meeting and these are only a few points of discussion from the Fire Chief's report and the Police Chief's report.

8. FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

Points of Discussion:

- Tea Fire Report
- 2000 firefighters
- 150 homes destroyed in Santa Barbara; 80 in Montecito
- 1000 tons of vegetation has been removed from the area
- Contingency plan for flooding
- Retirement of Chris Blair
- Chief Prince presented the Commissioners with a handout: "Proposed Fire Department Sprinkler Requirements." Sprinklers will be required in all new commercial and residential construction as of July 1, 2009.

9. POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT:

Points of Discussion:

- Captain Lowry retirement
- Fire related road closures
- Police contributed to Tea Fire evacuations and looting patrols
- Gator Roll follow up

10. ADJOURN: Approximately 5:30 (exact time unknown)